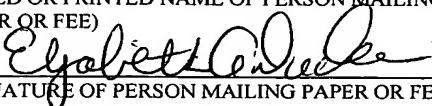


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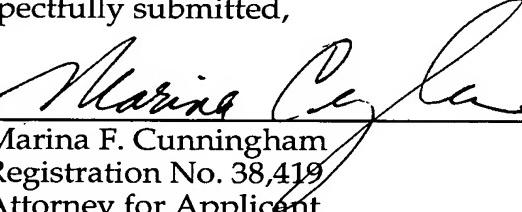
Applicants respectfully request preliminary amendments be made to the specification of the United States patent application identified above and provided herewith. The proposed amendments are made to the English translation of the specification of the French Patent Application Serial No. 03 12674 from which the present application claims priority. The proposed changes are requested to place the specification in form acceptable to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and to eliminate any indefiniteness that may exist

in the translated version of the French specification. Applicants respectfully submit that the requested amendments do not add any new matter into the present application.

Applicants include herewith Substitute Specification of the English translation of the original French patent application showing the proposed amendments.

Applicants believe that no fee is due for filing this amendment, however, if it is determined that a fee is required, please charge deposit account no. 13-0235.

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